



By the King.



LAMES, by the grace of God, king of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, defender of the Faith, &c. To all men to whom these Our present Letters shall come, Greeting. (a) Whereas our late Sister of famous Memory, Elizabeth late Queen of England, by her Letters Patents, bearing date at Westminster the xiii. day of July, in the xxxvi. yeere of her Raigne: Reciting thereby, that whereas it had bene alwayes of ancient time, and so from time to time thought and found very profitable for the common wealth of this Realme, That all manner woollen cloth made within this same Realme to be sold, should be searched, measured and sealed by the Alnagers of her Progenitors, and of her Highnes being Officers to that purpose, appointed to the intent, as well that no person should bee deceived, by buying deceitfull woollen cloth vnderly made, As also that by reason of the true making of the said woollen Cloth, the making thereof might be continued: And the people of this Realme thereby the better set on worke. (b) And that it had likewise bene thought and found very reasonable and necessary, that a reasonable fee should be payde vnto the saide Alnager, for his paines in that behalfe: And that a Subsidie should be paid for the said Clothes, vnto her said Progenitors, and her Highnes. And to that end, that diuers Acts of Parliaments and Ordinances, had bene made in the time of her Progenitors, and were then in force. And that forasmuch as then of late yeeres, diuers sorts of woollen Clothes, and other commodities commonly called double, middle and single Bayes, Rashe, or Stammell of Florence sort, Serge of French sort, Sayes of Flanders sort, Narrow worsteds, Grograynes, Hockadoes of euery sort, Plumets, freezadoes, Carrell, Fustian of Naples, Blankets, called Spannish Rugges, Knit hose of worsted yarne, and of all sorts of new Draperies, and other new Stufes, and commodities, then made of wooll onely, or most part of wooll, had been chiefly deuised, & made within her Realme of England by Strangers, & Aliens borne, that resorted into this Realme. (c) And that then of later time, the making was vsed in diuers places within this Realme, as well by the saide Strangers, as by her Subiects, which new sortes of Draperies, and woollen commoditties with all other like that should be thereafter inuented, or deuised to be made wholly, or most part of wooll within this Realme, ought by the Statutes, Lawes and Ordinances of this Realme, and by the true meaning and equitie of the same, to be searched and measured or weighed, and sealed, and to be charged with a Subsidie, to be payde to her Maiestie, her heires and successors in such sort, as other woollen clothes before that time sold or made within this Realme of England: had bene and ought to be. And that no Officer or Officers were especially appointed, either to the searching, measuring, weighing and sealing of the said new Draperies, or to the collection of the said Subsidie, vntill that then of late yeeres, her trustie seruants, Sir George Delues, Knight, and William Fitz-william, two of her Maiesties Gentlemen Pensioners, had bene thereunto appointed, by her seuerall Leases, which then were expired and determined: By reason whereof, not onely the said newly deuised Clothes, and woollen commodities had wanted, and might againe want the due allowance that ought to haue bene, and was by the sealing thereof, to the daunger of the buyers of the same. But also that her said late Maiestie had likewise wanted and might againe want the Subsidie of the same to her great losse. (d) Wherefore minding and intending redresse and remedie to bee had in that behalfe, her Maiestie then thought good, and her will and pleasure had bene signified by her former Letters Patents, and then was that all the said new sortes of Draperies, and Clothes aboue particularly specified and expessed, and euery of them made, & to be made, within this her Realme of England, and all other sorts of woollen Clothes, new Draperies, made and to be made within this said Realme, of wooll, or the most part of wooll, which in the time of her Raigne, or late before had not bene vsually made within this said Realme of England, or for the which the said Alnagers had not commonly vsed before that time, to make any search, measure, weighing, marking or sealing, or to take the said Subsidie, should at all times from thenceforth be surueyed, measured, weighed, tryed and sealed by such person and persons, as by the Lord Treasurer of England for the time being, should be from time to time appointed. (e) And that the said Subsidie should be leuied and payde for the same, from thenceforth. And that forasmuch, as her said trustie seruants Sir George Delues, and William Fitz-william, & either of them Alnager & Alnagers of the said new Draperies, and Collectors of the said Subsidie of the same, for and during the space of xxi. yeeres, to commence and beginne at the Feast of the Nativite of S. Iohn Baptist then last past before the date of the same Letters Patents by themselves, their Deputies and Assignes. (f) And her said Maiestie did thereby, for her, her heires, and Successors, giue and graunt vnto the said Sir George Delues and William Fitz-william, their Executors, Administrators, and Assignes, and euery of them, full power and authoritie to weigh, measure, trie, search and scale, or marke, all and singular the said double, middle, and single Bayes, Rashe, or Stammell of Florence sort, Serge of the French sort, Sayes of the Flanders sort, Narrow worsteds, Grograynes, Hockadoes of euery sort, Plumets, freezadoes, Carrell, Fustians, called Fustians of Naples, Blankets, called Spannish Rugges, Knit-hose, and all and euery other new sortes of Draperies or Clothes, and other Stufes made or to be made only, or most part of wooll within this Realme of England, which in the time of her Raigne or late before, had not bene vsually made within this said Realme of England, or for, or of the which the said Alnagers for the time being, had not commonly before that

(a) The recital of the late Queenes Letters Patents by her granted to Sir George Delues and William Fitz-william.

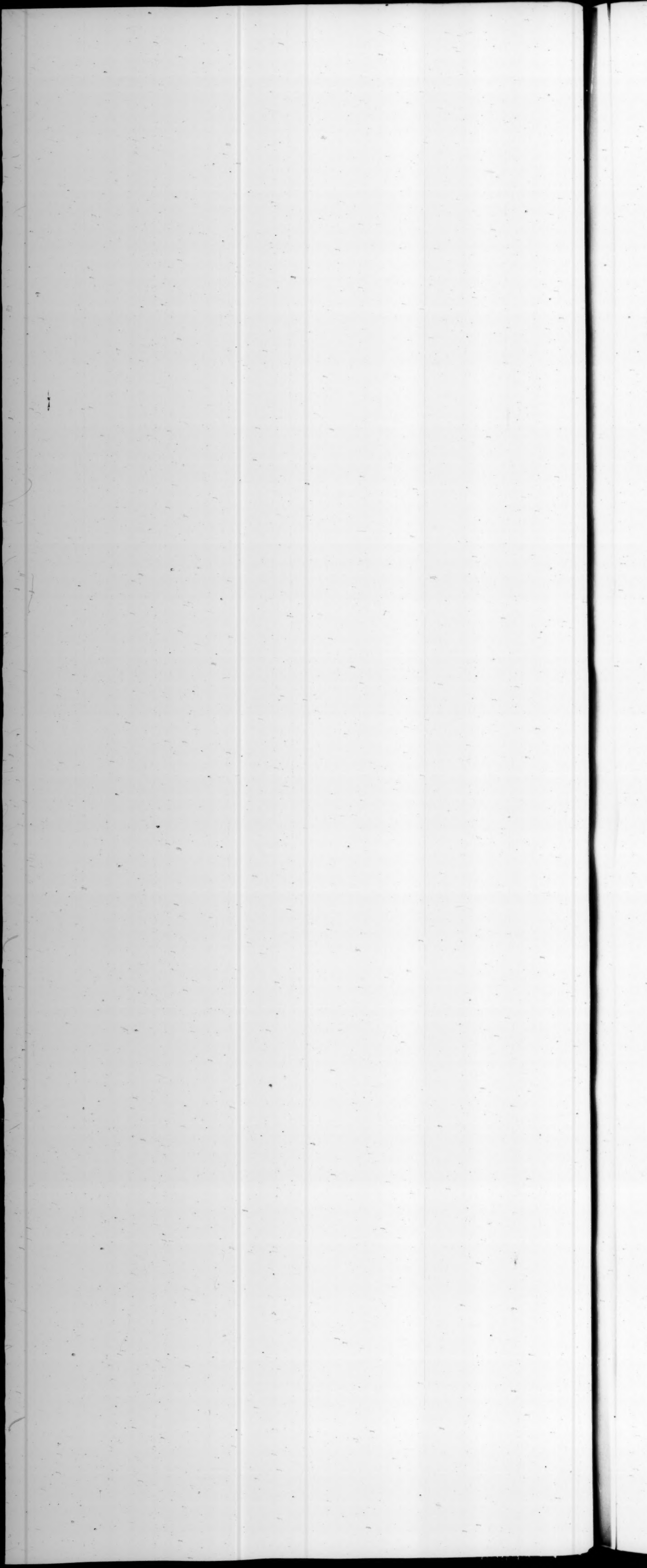
(b) Thought fit and reasonable that a reasonable fee should be paid to the Alnager for his paines.

(c) That all new sorts of Draperies by Statutes ought to be searched, weighed and sealed with a Subsidie in such sort as other woollen clothes.

(d) Her Maiesties pleasure that all the new sorts of Draperies and Clothes should at all times be surueyed, measured, weighed, tried and sealed, &c.

(e) That the Subsidie should be leuied and paid for the same from thenceforth.

(f) The Queens Maiesties authoritie to her Alnagers to weigh, measure, trye, search and scale or marke all the new sorts of draperies.



(g) To have and to hold during the space of 21. yeeres.

(h) Her Maieſty willed they ſhould be reputed, taken and called Alnagers, Sealers, Searchers and Viewers of the new Draperies, and woollen commodities made, and to be made within this ſaid Realme, and the Collectors of the Subſidies and duties thereof.

(i) Her Maieſties command that at the new draperies which were put to ſale, ſhould be meaſured, tried, ſearched and weighed, and ſuch as were found good and merchantable ſhould be ſealed.

(k) All ſuch draperies and ſtuffes being found to be defective or deceitfully made or wrought, ſhould be cut and ragged to the intent no perſons ſhould be deceived thereby.

(l) 4. d. in money for every broad cloth which by Statute ought to weigh 64. pound weight, and 2. d. for every halfe cloth.

(m) For meaſuring, ſearching, and ſealing of every whole cloth, 6d. and for every halfe cloth 3. farthings.

(n) To forfeit xx. s. for vinting or putting to ſale, ſhipping, lading, or fraughting every piece before it were ſearched, meaſured and ſealed.

(o) The woollens of the Realme from time to time converted not onely into ſtuffes, draperies and commodities, but alſo into divers other new ſortes of ſtuffes, not made within this Realme at the time of her Maieſties grant to Sir George Delues, & William Fitz-william, to the great loſſe of his Maieſties Cuſtomes and Subſidies in former times paid for the woollens of this Land tranſported, &c.

(p) 4. d. for every 64. pound weight of the ſaid Freezados, according and ſo ratably for every ſuch kind or new draperies.

time bled, to make any ſearch, meaſure, weighing, marking, or ſealing, or to take the ſayd Subſidies. (g) To have and to hold to them the ſame from the feaſt of the Nativite of Saint Iohn Baptiſt then laſt paſt, for and during the ſpace of one and twenty yeeres, from thence next enſuing, with authoritie and full power to ſeale and marke ſuch of the ſayd Draperies and ſtuffes as were and ſhould be lawfully and truly made, And with ſuch ſeale and ſeales or other marke, as by her High Treasuſer of England for the time being, ſhould be deliviered and appointed to them for that purpoſe.

(h) And whereas alſo, her ſaid Maieſtie, by her ſaid Letters Patents, did for her, her Heires & Succeſſors, will and graunt that during the ſaid Terme of one and twenty yeeres, they ſhould be reputed, taken and called Alnagers, Sealers, Searchers and Viewers of the new Draperies, and woollen commodities made, and to be made within this ſaid Realme, and the Collectors of the Subſidies and duties thereof. (i) And whereas alſo her Highneſſe did further of her certeine knowledge and meere motion graunt will and commaund, That every of the ſaide Freezados, double, middle, and ſingie Bayes, Raſh, or Stammel of Florence ſort, Serdage of the French ſort, Woſteds, Brograines, Hochados, of every ſort, Plumet, Carreis, fuſtians, called fuſtian of Naples, Buſſings, Blankers called Spaniſh Rugges, knit hoſe of woſted parne, Jarſey parne or other woollen, made and to be made, within this ſaid Realme to be put to ſale, and all other of the ſayd Draperies, and ſtuffes, made & to be made within the ſame Realme of England, being all, or the moſt part of wooll as aforeſaid, to be put to ſale, ſhould be meaſured, ſearched, weighed, and tried, by the ſaid Sir George Delues, and William Fitz-william and their Executors, Deputies and Assignes, or by ſome or one of them, (during the ſayd ſpace of twenty and one yeeres,) before the ſame ſhould be put to ſale, And that all ſuch of the ſame as ſhould be found to be good Lawfull and Merchantable ſhould be ſealed or marked by them their Deputies, Factors or Assignes, by a Seale or marke to them to be appointed by the ſayd high Treasuſer of England as aforeſaid. (k) And that ſuch of the ſame Draperies and ſtuffes, as ſhould be found by them their Deputies and Miniſters, Factors or Assignes or any of them, to be defective or deceitfully made or brought ſhould be cut and ragged at both the ends, thereby to note the ſame defect and default without any ſeale, or other marke to be put to the ſame, to the intent that no perſon or perſons ſhould be deceived thereby. And whereas alſo her Maieſtie, by her ſaid Letters Patents, Recyting further that forasmuch as no certaine rate or ſumme of money was before the ſayd graunt then toſore made to the ſaid Sir George Delues and William Fitz-william as aforeſaid taken, or paid to her ſaid Maieſtie, or certainly ſet downe for the meaſuring, ſearching, trying and Subſidies of the ſayd Draperies and other ſtuffes as aforeſaid: the Contents whereof were divers, did ſignifie her will and pleaſure, to be as by her ſayd former graunts her ſaid Maieſtie had before ſignified, viz. That where, by her lawes and Statutes there had bene and then was allowed due and paid for the ſayd Subſidie to her ſayd Maieſtie for every broad Clothe, which by the Statute of this Realme ought to weigh threſcore and foure pounds, the ſumme of (l) foure pence in money, for every halfe of ſuch Cloth two pence in money which amounteth to one farthing for every foure pound weight of the ſame Cloth. (m) And for the meaſuring, ſearching and ſealing of every whole Cloth, one halfe peny to the Alnager for his fee, and for every halfe Cloth one farthing. That therefore the Rates and ſummies of money as well for the Subſidie, as for the Alnage of the ſayd new Draperies, and other new woollen commodities particularly and otherwiſe ſpecified, or contained in a Schedule unto the ſaid Letters Patents annexed, ſhould be paid allowed and leuied from thence forth, of and for every of the ſayd new Draperies which was found to agree or not much to differ in proportion, from the Rates and Duties, ſet paid and allowed then toſore for broad woollen Cloathes. And that if any perſon or perſons of what eſtate or degree ſoever he or they ſhould be, did ſell or put to ſale, or cauſe to be ſold or put to ſale, or ſhould fraught or imbarque or cauſe to be ſhipped, fraughted, or imbarqued any of the new ſaid Draperies, or woollen Commodities, or ſuch ſtuffes as is aforeſaid in the ſaid Letters Patents authorized to be ſearched, to the intent to Tranſport the ſame to be put to ſale before the ſame ſhould be ſearched, meaſured, weighed, and ſealed by her Maieſties ſayd Officers, or their Assignes as aforeſaid. And the fees and Subſidies aforeſaid therefore paid or agreed for, That then and ſo often, as hee, ſhe, or they ſo putting to ſale, ſhipping, lading, fraughting or imbarquing the ſame ſhould (n) forfeit and pay for every piece thereof ſo put to ſale or offered to be put to ſale, ſhipped, fraughted or imbarqued, twenty ſhillings of lawfull money of England. And where alſo her ſayd late Maieſty by her ſayd Letters Patents of her further eſpeciall grace, meere motion and certeine knowledge did deſiſe and grant to ſarme, to the ſaid Sir George Delues, and William Fitz-william their Executors and Assignes, the Subſidies, ſummies and duties limited by the ſayd Letters Patents to be paid of or for all and every the ſaid new Draperies and other woollen Commodities aforeſaid, And all and every the forfeitures aforeſaid, as to her Maieſty, her Heires and Succeſſors, ſhould grow answerable or due: To have and to hold the ſayd Subſidie, ſummies, duties and forfeitures to the ſayd Sir George Delues, and William Fitz-william their Executors, Administrators and Assignes, from the feaſt of the Nativite of Saint Iohn Baptiſt, then laſt paſt before the date of the ſayd Letters Patents unto the end and terme of one and twenty yeeres, from thence, next enſuing, and fully to be Compleat and ended, &c.

(o) And whereas we perceiving the woollens of this Realme to be from time to time converted not onely into the ſtuffes, Draperies, & Commodities aboue mentioned, but alſo into divers other new ſortes of ſtuffes, Draperies and Commodities not made within this Realme, at the time of the making of the ſayd ſeverall Leaſes or grants to the ſayd Sir George Delues, and William Fitz-william, to Our great loſſe in the Cuſtomes and Subſidies, in former times paid to divers of Our Progenitors, for the woollens of this Land tranſported into the parts beyond the Seas, and that the ſame new inventions are likely moze and moze to increaſe: And perceiving alſo that divers Clothiers heretofore bliſg to make broad Clothes, haue changed their Loomes, and ſpinnings to the making of the ſame new inventions, And that it is to be preſumed that others will doe the like: The gaine and retorne of ſuch new Draperies and late invented ſtuffes, and Commodities, made of wooll, or part of wooll comparing weight to weight being farre greater and quicker, and the trade thereof exerciſed with leſſe ſtocke & charge then is requiſite to the making of broad Clothes, which would turne greatly to Our loſſe, if as well a Subſidie ſhould not be paid and answered unto us for the ſaid new Inventions as for broad Clothes. We well approuing our ſayd Siſters care and prouiſion that proportionable ſummies ſhould be paid for the Subſidie and Alnage of the ſayd new and later Inventions, according to the rate of the Subſidie and Alnage paid for broad Cloth: are fully minded and purpoſed, And doe by theſe preſents appoint, That as by the Lawes and Statutes of this Realme, there hath bene and now is allowed due and paid to us for the Subſidie of every broad Cloth made to be ſold, which by the Statutes of this Realme ought to weigh threſcore and foure pounds, the ſumme of foure pence in money, And for every halfe of ſuch Cloth two pence in money which amounteth to one farthing for every foure pound weight of the ſame Cloth. And for the meaſuring, ſearching, and ſealing of every whole broad Cloth made to be ſold which by the Statutes of this Realme ought to containe in length foure and twenty yards, one halfe penny to the Alnager for his fee, and for every halfe of ſuch Cloth one farthing, ſo from henceforth for every threſcore and foure pound weight of the ſayd (p) Freezados, double, middle & ſingie Bayes, Raſh, or Stammel of Florence ſort, Serdage of French ſort, Sayes of the Flaunders ſort, Narrow woſteds, Valentia, Brograines,



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and Grograines of all sorts, Mochadoes of every sort, Plumets, Carrell, Fustians, and fustian called fustian of Naples, Buffins of all sorts, Blankets, called Spanish Rugges, knit hose of worsted yarne, Jarsey yarne or other woollen yarne, And for every threescore and foure pound weight of all sorts of the woollen and partly woollen Clothes, Stuffs, & Commodities of Arras, Capellary or Capistray, Abzetta, Bewpary, Bozatoes, Bowlters, Blankets, Bustians, Bumbacies, Bzocattellacs, Calimancoes, Cangeans, changeable Canuas, Channō clothes, Chamlets, Carfa, Crispe, Crewell, Carpetings, Couerlets, Curles, Dozmir, Duraunces, Damaskes Demicie, faire a farre off, fustenadoes of all sorts, fringe, felts, flannels, Garterings, Gythes, Girdlings, knit waistcotes, knit petticotes, knit sleeves, knit Gloues, knit Caps, knit Cofes, knit Hats, knit socks, Lyon Rashes, Lacings, Lyncey Wolseyes, Massalina, Macrels, Moheres, Mountaines, Mounkes Clothes, Motles, Minikins, Olets, Olyots, Parris clothes, Pometes, Perpetuanaes, Perpinianes, Spanish pretitoes, Quinques, Rashes, Cloth Rashes, Russels, Rugges, Raynes of bridles, Spanish Sattens, Sattens of Cyprus, Serdges, Sayes, Stannels, Stamets, Stamines, Swaithbands, Sparke of beluet, Spanish Cloth, Sciets, Scallops, Tukes, Tamets, Cobynes, Twilles, Thymes, Velures, Venice Cloth, Wozseeds, Wadmoles, yarne of worsted, Jarsey or woollen, and of all other sorts of Clothes, Stuffs, Draperies and Commodities whatsoever, made or hereafter to be made within the Realme of England and Dominion of Wales, to bee sold of wooll, part of wooll, Cotton woollen or otherwise: which in the time of our late Sisters Raigne, or late before had not bene vsually made within this Realme of England or Dominion of Wales, or of or for the which the Alnagers of saleable Clothes, did not before that time commonly vse to make any search, measure, weighing, marking or sealing, or to take the said Subsidie: shall be from time to time answered and paid to vs our Heires and Successors by the Sellers of the said Clothes, Stuffs, Draperies and Commodities, the summe of foure pence for and in the name of a Subsidie. And so ratable for every such kind of Clothes, Stuffs, Draperies, and Commodities, according to the seuerall weight, and weights of the same. And for the searching, measuring, and marking, or sealing of every peece of such Cloth, Stuffe, or Draperie, containing in length foure and twentie yards, or betwene foure and twentie and thirtie yards, or lesse, shall be paid to the Alnager thereof for his fee, the summe of one halfe peny, And so ratable for every peece, of like Cloth, Stuffe, and other Draperies and Commodities aforesaid, according to the number of the yards, and quantitie that it shall containe.

And forasmuch as our right trustie, and right intirely beloued Cozen and Counsellor Lodowicke Duke of Lenox hath procured the said Letters Patents therof made to the sayd S. George Delues, & William Fitz william to be (q) surrendred, And hath offered to take to farme of vs the sayd Subsidie, or summe of money herein before appointed to be paid to vs our Heires and Successors, in the name of a Subsidie of and for all and every the said last mentioned Clothes, Stuffs, Draperies and commodities, made and hereafter to be made within this Realme of England and Dominion of Wales, to be sold, (except such as are and shall be made, or hereafter set to sale in the Citie of London and the Suburbs and liberties of the same Citie,) And to recid and pay therefore vnto vs a greater yearly rent, farme or summe then hath bene heretofore answered and paid for the same.

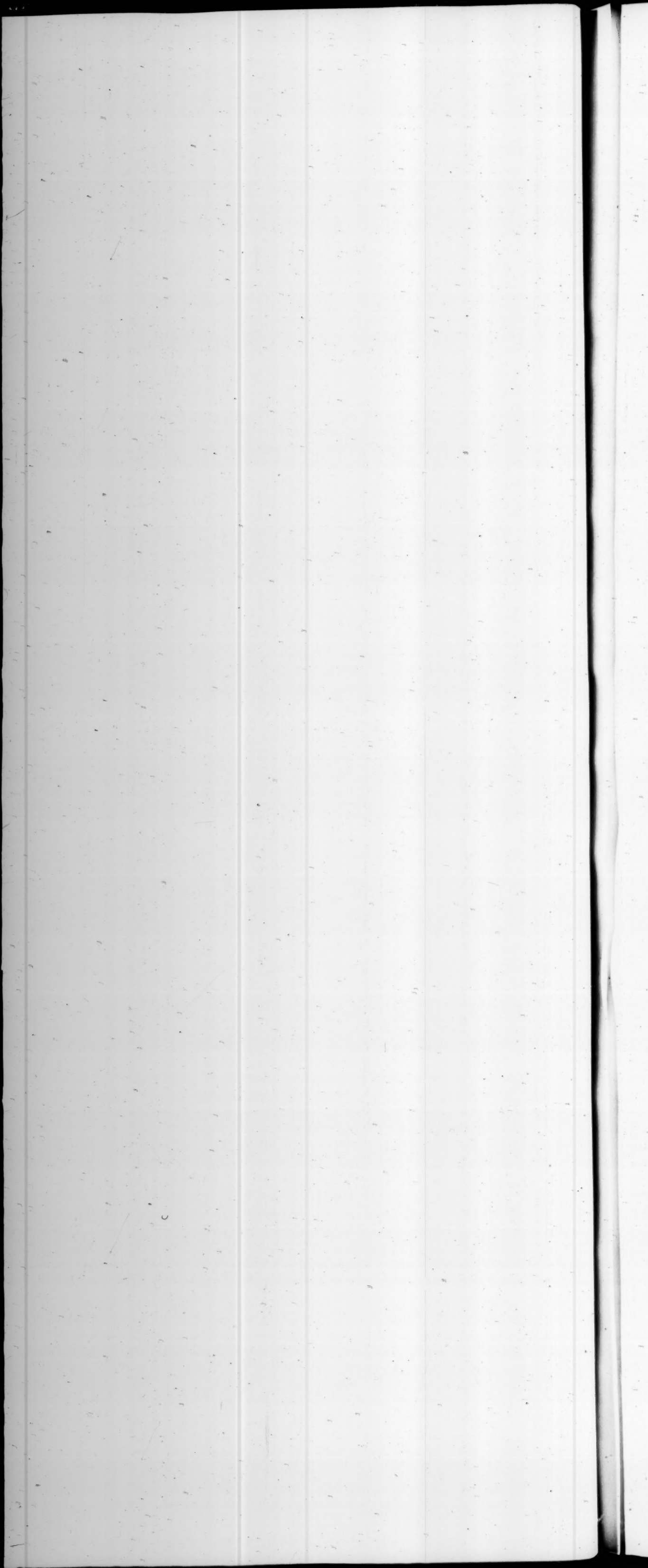
(r) Now, know ye that woe of our speciall grace certaine knowledge and meere motion haue Created, or dained Constituted and appointed and by these presents for vs our Heires and Successors, create, ordaine, constitute and appoint the said Lodowicke Duke of Lenox our Alnager of all and every the said freezatoes, double, middle and single Bayes, Rasse or Stammell of florence sort, Serdge of the french sort, Sayes of the flanders sort, Narrow worsteds, Valentia Grograines & Grograines of all sorts, Mochadoes of every sort, Plumets, Carrell, fustians, and fustian called fustian of Naples, Buffins of all sorts, Blankets called Spanish Rugges, Knit hose of worsted yarne, Jarsey yarne, or other woollen yarne, And for every threescore and foure pound weight of all sorts of the woollen and partly woollen Clothes, Stuffs and Commodities of Arras, Capellary or Capistray, Abzetta, Bewpary, Bozatoes, Bowlters, Blankets, Bustians, Bumbacies, Bzocattellacs, Calimancoes, Cangeans, changeable Canuas, Channon Clothes, Chamlets, Carfa, Crispe, Crewell, Carpetings, Couerlets, Curles, Dozmir, Duraunces, Damaskes, Demicie, faire a farre off, fustenadoes of all sorts, fringe, felts, flannels, Garterings, Gythes, Girdlings, knit waistcotes, knit petticotes, knit sleeves, knit Gloues, knit Capps, knit Cofes, knit Hats, knit socks, Lyon Rashes, Lacings, Lyncey wolseyes, Massalina, Macrels, Moheres, Mountaines, Mounkes Clothes, Motles, Minikins, Olets, Olyots, Parris Clothes, Pometes, Perpetuanaes, Perpinianes, Spanish pretitoes, Quinques, Rashes, cloth Rashes, Russels Rugs, Raynes of bridles, Spanish Sattens, Sattens of Cyprus, Serdges, Sayes, Stammetes, Stamets, Stamines, Swaithbands, Sparke of beluet, Spanish Cloth, Sciets, Scallops, Tukes, Tamets, Cobynes, Twilles, Thymes, Velures, Venice Cloth, Wozseeds, Wadmoles, Yarne of worsted, Jarsey or woollen, and of all other sorts of Clothes, Stuffs, Draperies & Commodities whatsoever called or known by the name of New Draperie, or made or hereafter to be made within this our Realme of England and Dominion of Wales, (Except such as are and shall be made or hereafter set to sale in the Citie of London and the Suburbs and Liberties of the same Citie,) by whatsoever name or names the same is, are, or shall be known or called to be sold of wooll, part of wooll, Cotton wooll or otherwise which in the time of our late Sisters Raigne, or late before had not bene vsually made within this Realme of England or Dominion of Wales, or of or for the which the Alnagers of saleable Clothes did not before that time commonly vse to make any search, measure, weighing, marking, or sealing, or to take the said Subsidie.

(s) And of our further especiall grace, certaine knowledge, and meere motion, we haue created, or dained, constituted and appointed, and by these presents doe create, ordaine, constitute and appoint the said Lodowicke Duke Lenox of our Collector of the said Subsidie, and summe of money herein before appointed to be paid to vs, our Heires and Successors in the name of a subsidie, of and for all and every the said freezatoes, double, middle and single Bayes, Rasse or Stammell of florence sort, Serdge of the french sort, Sayes of the flanders sort, Narrow worsteds, Valentia Grograines, and Grograines of all sorts, Mochadoes, of every sort, Plumets, Carrell, fustians, and fustian called fustian of Naples, Buffins of all sorts, Blankets, called Spanish Rugges, knit hose of worsted yarne, Jarsey yarne, or other woollen yarne, And for every threescore and foure pound weight of all sorts of the woollen, & partly woollen Clothes, Stuffs & commodities, Abzetta, Arras, Capellary, or Capistray, Bewpary, Bozatoes, Bowlters, Blankets, Bustians, Bumbacies, Bzocattelloes, Calimancoes, Cangeans, Changeable Canuas, Channon clothes, Chamlets, Carfa, Crispe, Crewell, Carpetings, Couerlettes, Curles, Dozmir, Durances, Damaskes, Dincie, faire a farre off, fustenadoes of all sorts, fringe, felts, flannels, Garterings, Gythes, Girdlings, knit waistcotes, knit petticotes, knit sleeves, knit Gloues, knit Caps, knit Cofes, knit Hats, knit Socks, Lyon Rashes, Lacings, Lyncey Wolseyes, Massalina, Macrelles, Moheres, Mountaynes, Mounkes Clothes, Motles, Minikins, Olets, Olyots, Parris Clothes, Pometes, Perpetuanaes, Perpinianes, Spanish Pretitoes, Quinques, Rashes, Cloth Rashes, Russelles, Rugs, Raynes of bridles, Spanish Sattynes, Sattynes of Cyprus, Serdges, Sayes, Stammets, Stamets, Stamines, Swaithbands, Sparke of beluet, Spanish Cloath, Sciets, Scallopes, Tukes, Tamets, Cobynes, Twilles, Thymes, Velures, Venice cloth worsteds, Wadmoles, Yarne of worsted Jarsey or woollen, and of all other sorts of clothes, Stuffs, Draperies, and commodities whatsoever, made or hereafter to be made within this Realme of England, & Dominion of Wales, (Except such as are and shall be made, or hereafter set to sale in the Citie of London, and the Suburbs

(q) The patent
granted to
George Delues
and William
Fitz william
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the procurement
of Lodowicke
Duke of Lenox.
(r) The creation
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Names of all the
Commodities.

(s) The Duke
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and Liberties of the same Citie) made, or to be made of wooll, part of wooll, Cotten wooll, or otherwise as afore-
said to the intent to be sold, which in the time of our saide late Sisters Raigne or late before had not bene usual-
ly made within this Realme of England, or Dominion of Wales, or of, or for the which the Alnagers of saleable
Clothes, did not before that time commonly use to make any search, measure, weighing, marking or sealing, or to
take the said Subsidie.

(1) His Maesties
grant to the duke
of Lenox of the
office of Alnager
and Collector of
the Subsidie of
new Draperies.

(t) And we doe by these presents for vs our Heires and Successors, give and grant to the said Lodowicke Duke
of Lenor, his Executors, Administrators and Assignes, and every of them the office and offices of Alnager, and of
Collector of the Subsidie of the said clothes, stuffes, draperies and commodities, with all lawfull fees, Benefits
and profits, whatsoever thereto belonging (except before excepted,) a full power liberty and authoritie by him or
themselves, his or their Deputie or Deputies, or Assignes, to exercise and execute the same Offices, and to weigh,
measure, erie, search, and seale or marke, all and singular the sayd clothes, stuffes, draperies, and Commodities
made and to be made, within this our Realme of England, and Dominion of Wales, (except before excepted) of,
or for the which the said Subsidie is herein above appointed to be paid, or which bee hereby authorized to bee
searched.

(u) Arrerages
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with the said offi-
ce granted to
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a sum of 100. lib.
an. his and their
lawfull duties
for 21. yeeres.

(u) And further, we do by these Presents of our speciall grace, certaine knowledge and meere motion give and
grant unto the said Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his executors, administrators deputies & assignes, all & every such
arrerages, duties, sum and sums of money whatsoever, as are due and payable for the said office of Alnage and
Subsidie, and other the premises, since the feast of S. Michael th' archangel now last past, untill the day of the
date of these Presents, To have and to holde, exercise and enjoy the said Offices, with the said arrerages, duties
and premises unto the sayde Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his Executors, Administrators and Assignes, and his and
their lawfull Deputie and Deputies, from the feast of S. Michael th' archangel last past before the date hereof, for
and during the space of one and twentie yeeres, from thence next following with authoritie, and full power to
seale, and marke such of the said Clothes, Draperies, Stuffes, and Commodities, as he and shall be lawfully and
truelly made with such seale and seales, or other marke, as by our high Treasurer of England for the time being,
shall be delivered and appointed to him or them for that purpose.

(x) His Maesties
pleasure & grant
that the said duke
of Lenor during
the space of 21.
yeeres, shall be
reputed an Al-
nager, Sealer,
Searcher, and
viewer of all
the new Draper-
ies, and Collector
of the Subsidies
and duties for
the same.

(x) And our will and pleasure is, and we doe for vs, our heires and successors, grant by these presents, That du-
ring the sayd space of one and twentie peres, the said Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, shall be reputed, named, taken and
called Alnager, Sealer, Searcher and viewer of the said new Draperies, and woollen commodities and Stuffes,
made, or hereafter to be made within this our Realme of England, and Dominion of Wales, (except before ex-
cepted,) and the Collector of the Subsidies and duties thereof.

(y) And we doe further of our certaine knowledge and meere motion graunt, will and command, that eue-
ry of the sayd clothes, stuffes, draperies and commodities by whatsoever name or names, they are, or shall bee
known, or called, made, and hereafter to be made within this our Realme of England, and Dominion of Wales,
(except before excepted) to be put to sale. And all other of the said Draperies, Stuffes and Commodities, called
new Draperies, or newly heretofore invented, or hereafter to be invented, made and to be made within the same
our Realme of England, and Dominion of Wales (except before excepted) being all or part of wooll, or otherwise
as afore said, to be put to sale, shall be during the said space and terme of one and twentie yeeres, measured, searched,
weighed and tried by the said Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his Executors, Administrators, Deputies and Assignes,
and his or their Deputie or Deputies, or by some or one of them, before the same shall be put to sale.

(y) His Maesties
command that all
new Draperies
within the Realm
of England and
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Wales, shall be
measured, sear-
ched, weighed,
and tried by the
said Duke, his
depu. or assig. or
his or their depu.
or assig.

(z) And being
found to be good
lawfull and mar-
chantable, to be
sealed or marked.

(a) His Maesties
pleasure that no
person shall sell,
set, send, or put to
sale, or shippe,
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barke any the said
new Draperies to
the intent to
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same to be put to
sale before they
be searched, mea-
sured, weighed &
sealed or marked
by the Alnager
his exec. admin.
depu. or assig. and
the Fees and Sub-
sidies paid there-
fore or agreed
for, upon paine of
forfeiture of 20. s.
for every such
peece of stuffe.

(z) And that all such of the same as shall be found to be good, lawfull and marchantable ware, shall be sealed
or marked by our said Alnager, his Executors, Administrators, Deputies, and Assignes, or his or their Deputie
or Deputies, by and with a seale or marke to him or them to be appointed by our said high Treasurer of England
as afore said. (a) And that such of the same Clothes, Draperies, Stuffes and Commodities as afore said, as
shall bee found by our saide Alnager, his Deputies, Ministers, factors or Assignes, or his or their Deputie or De-
puties, or any of them, to be Defective or Decetifully made or wrought, shall bee by him or them cut and jagged at
both the ends, thereby to note the same defect and default without any seale or other marke to be put to the same,
to the intent that no person or persons be deceived thereby.

(b) And our will and pleasure is, that if any person or persons of what estate or degree soever, hee or they bee
of, doe or shall sell, set, send, or put to sale, or cause to bee sold, sent, set, or put to sale, or doe or shall freight, or Im-
barque, or cause to bee Shipped, Freight, or Imbarqued, any of the said Clothes, Stuffes, Draperies and
Commodities, or any other such like, as is afore said herein authorized to be searched and sealed, to the intent to
transport the same to be put to sale, before the same shall be searched, measured, weighed and sealed, or marked by
our said Officer, his Executors, Administrators, Deputies or Assignes as afore said, and the Fees and Subsidies,
afore said therefore payed or agreed for, That then and so often, hee, shee, or they, so selling, sending, setting or put-
ting to sale, Shipping, Lading, freighting or Imbarking the same, shall forfeite and pay for every peece there-
of, so sold, sent, set or put to sale, or offered to be put to sale, Shipped, freighted, or Embarqued, twentie shillings
of lawfull money of England.

(b) Authoritie
that all such of
the same clothes
Draperies, Stuffes
being found to be
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be cut and jag-
ged at both ends
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tent that no per-
sons be deceived
thereby.

(c) And further, know ye that of Our further especiall grace, certaine knowledge and meere motion, we have
demised and granted, and by these presents doe demise and grant to farne to the sayd Lodowicke Duke of Lenor,
his executors, administrators, and Assignes, the subsidies, summes and duties, limited by these presents, to bee
payd of, or for all and every the sayd new Draperies, stuffes and other woollen commodities, afore said made and
to be made within this our Realme of England and dominion of Wales (except before excepted,) and the Moetic
of all and every the forfeiture and forfeitures afore said, as to vs Our Heires and Successors due or shall grow
answerable or due. To have and to hold the sayd Subsidie, summes, duties and moeties of forfeitures, of
all and every the sayd Clothes, stuffes, draperies and commodities unto the sayd Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his
executors, administrators and assignes from the sayd feast of S. Michael the Archangel last past, unto the end and
terme of one and twenty yeeres, from thence next ensuing, and fully to be complete and ended.

(c) His Maesties
demise for 21.
yeeres to the
Duke, of all Sub-
sidies, summes &
duties, limited to
be paid for the
new Draperies &
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and every the
forfeitures.

(d) Thefe me
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measured & sea-
led or marked by
the Duke, or his
depu. servants or
assig. shall not any
more be searched,
measured, sealed,
or marked by any
other.

(d) And further, our will and pleasure is, and we doe by these presents graunt, That whatsoever of the sayd
new Draperies, stuffes, and commodities, shall be by the sayd Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his deputies, servants,
or assignes, or by any of them searched, measured and sealed, or marked in forme afore said, the same shall not after-
wards for the same cause be by any other our Officers, Ministers or Subjects, within this our realme of England
or Dominion of Wales (except before excepted) any more searched, measured, sealed or marked, but that the ow-
ners of the same may frankly and freely sell, utter or marchandize the same to any person or persons, without any
manner of other charge, veration, impeachment, molestation or interruption whatsoever, for or concerning the said
Subsidie and alnage before expressed.

(e) Authoritie
granted to the
Duke & his dep-
to appoint in eue-
ry county or other
places sufficient
dep. for the exe-
cution of the said
offices.

(e) And further for the better execution of the sayd offices, and of these our Letters Patents, of our like espe-
ciall grace, meere motion, and certaine knowledge, we doe by these Presents for vs, our heires and successors,
give and graunt unto the sayd Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his executors administrators and assignes, and to
his and their deputie and deputies, full power and lawfull authoritie, to constitute, substitute, make and appoint

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in every or any of the Counties, Cities, Townes corporate, Boroughs, Townes, Villages and Hamlets within this our Realme of England, and dominion of Wales (except before excepted) such and so many sufficient substitutes, and deputies, for the measuring, searching, vieweing, weighing, marking and sealing of all such Clothes, Draperies, Stuffs and commodities, as are herein or hereby appointed, or authorized to be measured, searched, viewed, weighed, marked or sealed: And for the collection and gathering of the sayd subsidies and Alnage, as by the sayd Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his executors, administrators or assignes shall be thought meete and convenient, and to the ends and intent, to avoyd all fraudes and deceits, and all concealments of, in, and about the Premises.

(f) Authority at all reasonable times, to enter into all places whatsoever, to search, see, and trie, &c. If any the sayd new draperies shall be sent or put to sale, &c. before they be sealed or marked, and the time to keepe seize and retaine, &c.

(f) We do further give and grant by these presents, for us our heyres and successors, unto the sayd Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his executors, administrators and assignes, and his and their Deputie and Deputies, and every of them, full power and lawfull authoritie, at all reasonable times and in reasonable maner, without unnecessarie hurting of any person or persons, or any their goods, wares, or merchandise, to enter into all and every faires, markets, houses, milles, shops, warehouses, Ships, Barks, Crayers, Boats, and all other places whatsoever, as well within Liberties as without, within our sayd Realme of England, and Dominion of Wales, (except before excepted) and to search, see, trie and examine, if any of the sayd Clothes, Stuffs, Draperies, or Commodities, and all other the sayd new draperies, & new devises, and other stufes as aforesayd, or any of them made or hereafter to be made of wooll, part of wooll, cotton wool, or otherwise as aforesayd, shall be sent, put or set to sale, vttered, shipped or imbarqued, being not before sealed or marked by our said Alnager his executors, administrators or assignes, or his or their deputie or deputies, or one of them with the seale or marke thereunto ordained, contrary to the meaning of these presents, and such of the sayd Clothes, Draperies, Stuffs, and new invented and devised commodities, as shall be by him or them found to be sent, put, or set to sale, shipped or imbarqued, not marked or sealed as aforesaid, to seize, keepe, and retaine, till the forfeiture and forfeitures aforesayd, and every of them shall be fully and wholly satisfied and payd according to the intent and true meaning of these presents, or other order taken therein by the Lord Treasurer of England for the time being, and Our Court of Exchequer.

(g) That if any person or persons shall resist or deny any search or searches by Our sayd Alnager, his Officers, Deputies or assignes, or his or their deputies or assignes, from time to time to be made, That then he, shee, or they making resistance or deniall, shall for every such default, forfeiture and pay to us and Our heyres and successors, ten pounds of lawfull English money.

(g) And that if any person or persons shall resist or deny any such search or searches by Our sayd Alnager, his Officers, Deputies or assignes, or his or their deputies or assignes, from time to time to be made, That then he, shee, or they making resistance or deniall, shall for every such default, forfeiture and pay to us and Our heyres and successors, ten pounds of lawfull English money.

(h) Expressly command that no Customs, Comptrollers, or Collectors, or the Subsidies or Tonnage or Pondage, or any of their Officer or Officers, doe from henceforth, take any entrie or receive any Customs or Subsidies, or make any composition for any Customs or Subsidies for any the sayd Clothes, Stuffs, Draperies or Commodities whatsoever made or hereafter to be made within our Realme of England and dominion of Wales, (except before excepted) but if they be sealed or marked by our sayd Alnager, his Executors, Administrators or Assignes, or his or their Deputie or Deputies, or one of them with the Seale or marke thereunto ordained.

(h) And we doe hereby further will and Command that none of our Customs, Comptrollers, or Collectors of Our Subsidies of Tonnage or Pondage in any Our Customs houses in any Port within our Realme of England or Dominion of Wales (except before excepted) or of any of Our farmours of the same Customs or Subsidies, of Tonnage or Pondage, or any of their Officer or Officers, doe from henceforth, take any entrie or receive any Customs or Subsidies, or make any composition for any Customs or Subsidies for any the sayd Clothes, Stuffs, Draperies or Commodities whatsoever made or hereafter to be made within our Realme of England and dominion of Wales, (except before excepted) but if they be sealed or marked by our sayd Alnager, his Executors, Administrators or Assignes, or his or their Deputie or Deputies, or one of them with the Seale or marke thereunto ordained.

(i) Authority to the Lord Treasurer of England for the time being, to make new and further ordinances, and to grant command for the further aid and assistance in the execution of the said office and his Maities Letters Patents.

(i) And our further will and pleasure is, and we doe straightly Charge and Command, all and every Ma'ors, Sheriffs, Bailiffs, Justices of Peace, head Boroughs, Constables, and other Our Officers, Ministers, and Subiects whatsoever, That they ayde and assist, the said Lodowicke Duke of Lenor his Executors, Administrators and Assignes, and his or their Deputie or Deputies, and every of them, in and by all lawfull meanes, and waies whatsoever for the due execution of the foresayd Offices, and these Our Letters Patents, according to the forme, force, and effect thereof, as they tender Our pleasure, and will answer to the contrary at their perils.

(k) And further of Our certaine knowledge, and meere motion, wee grant will and Command, that if there shall want any sufficient Act, meane, or thing, to give sufficient power and authoritie to Our sayd Officer his Executors, Administrators, Deputies, and Assignes, and to the Deputies and Assignes of every of them, to doe, performe and execute all and every or any thing mentioned in these presents, according to the true meaning and effect thereof, for the advancement of the sayd Office, and farme which is meant to Our speciall benefit: That the Lord Treasurer of England for the time being, shall from time to time have full power and authoritie to make new and further Ordinances, and to graunt Commissions for the further ayde, and assistance of our sayd Cousin Lodowicke Duke of Lenor, his Executors, Administrators, Deputies, and Assignes, in and for the full Execution and performance of the sayd Offices and of these Our Letters Patents.

In witnesse whereof wee have caused these Our Letters to be made Patents. Witnesse Our selfe at Westminster, the thirteenth day of September, in the third yeere of Our Reigne of England, Fraunce, and Ireland, and of Scotland the nine and thirtieth.

(i) His Maities expresse commandment to all, &c. to be aiding and assisting in the execution of this office, upon paine of his Highnes displeasure and as they will answer the contrary at their perils.

Clapham.

Per bre. deprinat. Sigil.



God saue the King.